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Dear Ms. Hughes:

The staff of the Division of Gaming Enforcement's Regulatory Enforcement Bureau has reviewed Petition #224110 filed by Tropicana Atlantic City Corp. d/b/a Tropicana Casino and Resort dated August 12, 2011, seeking approval for amendments to its Certificate of Operation and CHAB License.

The Tropicana is currently operating under a Certificate of Operation, which was approved in Petition #1751101 on June 27, 2011, by the Division of Gaming Enforcement.

By Petition #224110 Tropicana seeks approval to complete the following modifications to its casino room, as depicted on the architectural drawing labeled OP-84-1 and OP-84-2 (Exhibit 1) dated August 11, 2011, prepared by SOSH Architects, Kimberly McCarron, RA, License #AI-16521:



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The petitioner proposes the following;

1. Add 670 sq. feet of gaming space within "The Quarter" in order to provide "Quarter Gaming".
2. Existing Slot Zone K located in the Transportation Center will be removed as gaming area. This will reduce the casino area by 1,820 sq. feet and will remove fifty-five (55) slot machines.
3. Create a new slot zone (Zone K) within the "Quarter Gaming" area by adding ten (10) slots machines with no stools.
4. Create a new gaming pit (Pit#16) within the "Quarter Gaming" area by adding two (2) Blackjack tables and one (1) roulette table and wheel.
5. Relocate one (1) ART machine from Slot Zone N to Slot Zone K within the "Quarter Gaming" area.
6. Relocate one (1) ART machine from Slot Zone V to Slot Zone N.
7. Remove four (4) slot machines and stools in Slot Zone O.
8. Expand Pit#25 by adding one (1) Blackjack table and One (1) Three Card Poker table.
9. Add three (3) "alternate pit configurations" on OP-84 plan per N.J.A.C. 19:43-7.3(b)2 for Pit#10
10. Add one (1) "alternate pit configuration" on OP-84 plan per N.J.A.C. 19:43-7.3(b)2 for Pit#9.
11. Close Booth 23 in Slot Zone N. This area will no longer be reflected on the Operational Plan.
12. Alcoholic beverage service will not be provided in the Quarter Gaming area.
13. The Quarter Gaming area will not be a designated smoking area.

Pit Areas

Pit #9- Alternate Plan #3

Add: One (1) Pai Gow Tiles table (PGT-4) and one (1) Pai Gow Poker table (PGP-12)

Total tables for Pit 9 (Alternate Plan #3) are thirteen (13) tables.

Pit#10- Alternate Plan #1

Remove: Two (2) Blackjack tables (BJ-107 and BJ-108).

Add: One (1) Craps table (CR-23)

Total tables for Pit 10 (Alternate Plan#1) are fifteen (15) tables.

Pit#10- Alternate Plan#2

Remove: Two (2) Blackjack tables (BJ-107 & BJ-108.)

Add: Two (2) Mini Baccarat tables (MB-17 & MB-18)

Total tables for Pit 10 Alternate Plan #2 are sixteen (16) tables.

Pit#16- Quarter Gaming

Add: Two (2) Blackjack tables (BJ-121 & BJ-122)

Add: One (1) Roulette table and wheel (ROU-24)

Total tables for Pit 16 are three (3) tables.

Pit#25

Add: One (1) Blackjack table (BJ-31)

Add: One (1) Three Card Poker table (TCP-1)

Total tables for Pit 25 are ten (10) tables.

Slot Areas

Slot Zone K- Transportation Center

Remove: Fifty-five (55) slot machines (K-01 through K-55).

This area will no longer be casino space.

New total for Slot Zone K is zero (0) slots.

Slot Zone K- Quarter Gaming

Install: Ten (10) Slot machines (K-01 through K-10).

This area is newly created gaming space in "The Quarter".

New total for Slot Zone K is ten (10) slots.

Slot Zone O:

Remove: Four (4) slot machines and stools at locations (O-28, O-33, O-34 and O-39)

New total for Slot Zone O is fifty-eight (58) slots and stools.

Various Changes

- ATR #15 will be relocated from Slot Zone V to Slot Zone N, next to slot locations N-63 and N-66.
- ATR#21 will be relocated from Slot Zone N to Slot Zone K, next to slot location K-5.
- Booth 23, in Slot Zone N will be closed. The Operational Plan will no longer reflect this area as an active booth on the gaming floor.
- CCTV camera updates across the entire casino floor.

The summary of the statistical calculations is as follows:

1. A loss of (49) slots machines and (4) slot stools. The total number of slot machines is 2,659 and 2,605 slot stools.
2. A gain of (5) table games for OP-84. The new total is 144 table games.
 - a. When Alternate Plan #1 for Pit 10 is in use, total table games will be reduced by (1) table.
 - b. When Alternate Plan #2 for Pit 10 is in use, total table games will be unchanged.
 - c. When Alternate Plan #3 for Pit 9 is in use, total table games will be increased by (2) tables.
3. The gaming area will be decreased to 136,980 sq. ft. This total is determined by adding casino area of 136,448 sq. ft. plus 532 sq. ft. in Casino Smoking Lounge #4.
4. The allowable slot coverage (90% of 136,980 sq. ft.) is 123,282 sq. ft.
5. The actual slot coverage is 94,986 sq. ft., which is 69.34% of the total gaming area and within the allowable 90% for slot density.

Based on the Division's authority the requested amendments to the Tropicana's Certificate of Operation and CHAB License as set forth above, are hereby granted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-83 and 5:12-103. This approval authorizes a casino room containing and consisting of:

Tropicana Casino Room

- One hundred and thirty-six thousand nine hundred and eighty (136,980) square feet;
- Two thousand six hundred fifty nine (2,659) slot machines and two thousand six hundred and five (2,605) slot stools and
- Fifty-nine (59) Blackjack tables;
- Eight (8) Craps tables;
- Sixteen (16) Roulette tables and wheels;
- Two (2) Pai Gow Poker tables;
- Two (2) Pai Gow Tiles tables;
- Nine (9) Mini Baccarat tables;
- One (1) Caribbean Stud Poker tables;
- One (1) Mini Big Six table;
- Two (2) Let It Ride Poker tables;
- Four (4) Spanish 21 tables;
- Eight(8) Three Card Poker tables;
- Two (2) Four Card Poker tables;
- Two (2) Texas Hold' em Bonus Poker tables;
- One (1) Double Action table; and
- Twenty-seven (27) Poker tables.

Please note that the designation of smoking areas in casinos is subject to the jurisdiction of the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services and the Atlantic City Department of Health and Human Services, not the Division. Accordingly, this letter should in no way be construed as approving areas of the gaming floor for smoking.

This approval becomes effective only after the satisfactory completion of the required on-site inspections performed by the Division and is subject to the following conditions:

A. The revised operational blueprints, reflecting the changes approved herein, inclusive of any deficiencies noted, be submitted to the Division's Regulatory Enforcement Bureau, casino licensee's security podium and the casino licensee's CCTV monitoring room;

B. That all gaming chips be transported to and from the gaming tables in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:45-1.22 and 1.23;

C. That a revised Table Game, Roulette Wheel and Big Six Wheel inventory list be submitted to the division;

D. That all steps necessary and appropriate to ensure maximum patron comfort and safety during the period of renovation be taken;

E. That the procedures detailed in the Slot Procedures Manual be followed during the movement of slot machines;

F. That a revised Slot Master List be submitted to the Division;

G. That Tropicana notifies the Division immediately in the event of any modification to the approvals granted herein;

H. That Tropicana comply with all requirements and conditions appended to approvals received from all involved agencies of government whose approvals are required in order for a Certificate of Occupancy for the general public to be issued including, but not limited to, the Department of Community Affairs and the local construction official;

I. That prior to the opening of The Quarter Gaming area, Tropicana provide the Division an updated surveillance submission addressing additional equipment used in the recording and monitoring of games in Pit 16 and Slot Zone K. This would include Switch Room 118 in the Quarter Loading dock area and the procedures of recording of drop routes by way of locking out security cameras from Site 3. The surveillance submission must be approved by the Division prior to implementation of the requested changes in this petition.

J. That prior to the opening of The Quarter Gaming area, Tropicana provide the Division with an updated security submission addressing: drop box and cash box pick up times, number of security officers assigned to drop The Quarter Gaming area, method and equipment used to transport cash boxes, table game boxes, emergency boxes for slots and table games, fills and credits of gaming chips, security of assets of

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closed tables in Pit 16, and crowd control in The Quarter Gaming area. In addition a more detailed procedure of how Tropicana will prevent underage gambling in the Quarter Gaming area is requested. The security submission must also be approved by the Division prior to the implementation of the changes requested in this petition.

K. That Tropicana provide the Division with specific hours of operation in The Quarter Gaming area.

L. The Division of Gaming Enforcement reserves the right to reevaluate this plan of new gaming in The Quarter area. The Petitioner will be notified of any additional conditions that the Division feels is necessary in order for this area to be compliant. The Division will view this petition as a test operation for casino gaming within the Quarter.

That once modifications have been completed, a satisfactory inspection of the gaming areas and a review of CCTV coverage is completed by the Division prior to the proposed areas being used for gaming activity. To schedule the inspection, please contact our office at 441-7529.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 441-7557.

Sincerely,



Don Errera, Acting Deputy Chief
Regulatory Enforcement Bureau

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OP-84 Statistical Slot analysis for Petition# 2241101

<i>Slot Zone</i>	<i>OP-83 Slots Approved</i>	<i>OP-83 Stools Approved</i>	<i>OP-84 Slots Proposed</i>	<i>OP-84 Stools Proposed</i>	<i>Net Change Slots/Stools</i>	
A	245	245	245	245	0	0
B	20	20	20	20	0	0
C	89	84	89	84	0	0
D	88	85	88	85	0	0
E	194	186	194	186	0	0
F	159	159	159	159	0	0
G	229	229	229	229	0	0
H	93	92	93	92	0	0
I	98	98	98	98	0	0
J	75	75	75	75	0	0
K (Old)	55	0	55	0	-55	0
K (Quarter)	0	0	10	0	10	0
L	0	0	0	0	0	0
M	0	0	0	0	0	0
N	123	120	123	120	0	0
O	62	62	58	58	-4	-4
P	119	118	119	118	0	0
Q	113	113	113	113	0	0
R	97	97	97	97	0	0
S	82	82	52	52	0	0
T	32	32	32	32	0	0
U	148	130	148	130	0	0
V	138	138	138	138	0	0

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W	97	92	97	92	0	0
X	201	201	201	201	0	0
Y	87	87	87	87	0	0
Z	94	94	94	94	0	0
TOTALS	2,708	2,609	2,659	2,605	-49	-4